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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Marcus Darren Gruetzmacher

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For: METHOD OF REINFORCING A TOWER

Examiner: A. P. D. N. Tran

## REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2006, please reconsider this application in view of the following.

Initially we note that the claim to priority of the provisional application 60/434,479, filed December 18, 2002 has not been formally acknowledged in the Office Action. We respectfully request acknowledgement of the claim to priority.